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Western establishment, classified according to the nations they represent. The list is headed "Nationality," and begins thus: "Americans, 1,522." This is followed by such proper designations of people belonging to thirty-two different nationalities as "Armenians," "Welsh," etc. Then comes just an adjective, not a national name, for the thirty-third group; "Colored," with its number in service, "433." After that the list resumes its proper method and gives correct national titles to three other sets of workers, even where only a single person represents his particular nation, as "Finlander."

Why should nationality be tacitly denied to any group of American citizens? Is it likely to stimulate patriotism to be thus left drifting "without a country" by a General of the United States Army, with an adjective tossed at them to hold on to? If for any reason in General Carter's argument it was, as it may well have been, desirable to indicate racial difference, the part of a patriot and a great official should have been to make that indication respectfully. His list should have been worded:

"White Americans, 1522."
"Colored Americans, 443."

NEWTONVILLE, MASS.

LILLIE BUFFUM CHACE WYMAN.

SEND T. R. TO RUSSIA

Sir,—I have read with much interest "The Problem of our Colonel" in the current issue of the REVIEW, and, in my opinion, the problem could easily be solved if the President would sink his personal feeling against him and adopt the suggestion of Mr. Snodgrass, our Consul-General at Moscow.

You may recall that the latter, upon his return from Russia, in an interview as to the conditions prevailing in that country, concluded by saying that there was just one man who could offset the German propaganda and convince the Russian people that we were with them heart and soul in their struggle, and that man was Colonel Roosevelt.

The Root Commission was well enough in its way, but the members were not known to the mass of the people, and more than this, they (the people) were not in a condition to appreciate cold logic and be told in stately phrases what we proposed to do, because they were afire with their new-found power and needed some one like themselves to weld the differing classes into a harmonious whole—someone who was known to them as a man of action and sincerity. In this connection I will venture the assertion that there is not a Vilayet in Russia where the name and fame of Colonel Roosevelt are not known, and where he would not be received with enthusiasm.

Thousands of American, Democrats and Republicans alike, feel that the President is playing pretty small politics in studiously ignoring the Colonel, and they naturally resent it for practical as well as patriotic reasons.

NEW YORK CITY.

O. T. ROBERTS.

YOUTH AS AMERICA

SIR,—In reading Mrs. Bishop's letter in a recent issue of THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW on the "American look," it has occurred to me that

the figure of Uncle Sam no longer symbolizes, if indeed it ever wholly did symbolize, the American spirit and character.

We cannot think of any phase of America's development in terms of gray-headed age—nor is shrewdness the main or only attribute of American character—though humor, we trust, always may be.

It would be gratifying if some of our well known artists could portray a better type of American manhood than that represented by Uncle Sam, embodying some of those traits that seem so essentially American: youth—"slim and nervous"; interest unsatisfied; humor; vision—keen and unafraid.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y.

E. SANFORD.

FROM A LAD OF EIGHTY-EIGHT

Sir,—I am now 88, but several friends lately have told me I look as young as I did twenty years ago. I have had a stake set to live 'till 90, but now I have pulled it up and set it at 100. If I live so long, I will want *THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW* all the time. Continue same address.

SAN JOSE, CAL.

J. H. MCCOLLOUGH.

OUR WAR NUMBERS

Sir,—Please send the October and November copies of the *REVIEW* and the December and January numbers when they appear. I greatly appreciated the war numbers, and regret I cannot now buy a lot to distribute.

SENECA, SOUTH DAKOTA

R. HILL.